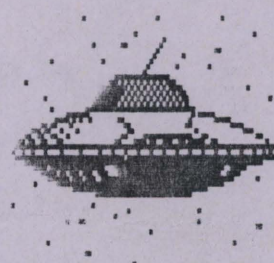
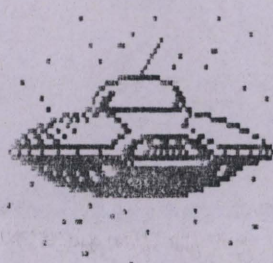
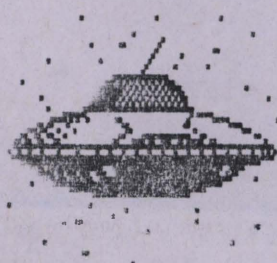
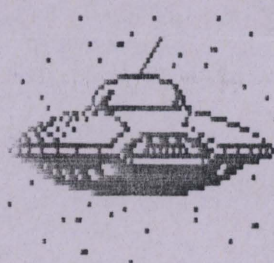
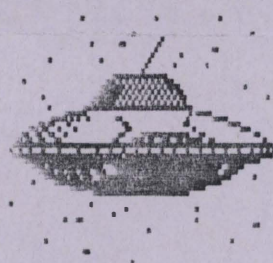
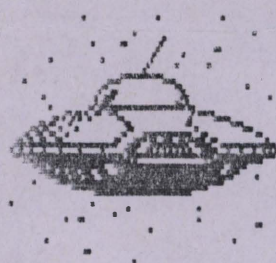


# TUFOIC



## **TASMANIAN UFO REPORT 1991**



TASMANIAN UFO INVESTIGATION CENTRE



# TASMANIAN UFO REPORT - 1991

T. U. F. O. I. C. Executive 1991		TASMANIAN STATISTICS			
PRESIDENT:	Ron Jolly	YEAR:	REPORTS:	UFOs:	IDENTIFIED:
SECRETARY/TREASURER:	Paul Jackson	Pre 1965	130	29	101
INVESTIGATION/FILES:	Keith Roberts	1965	23	12	11
LIAISON OFFICER:	Brian Wehberley	1966	34	15	19
LIBRARY:	Douglas Lockhart	1967	16	4	12
COMMITTEE:	Janine Hunt	1968	29	6	23
All Correspondence to:		1969	61	14	47
T. U. F. O. I. C., P. O. Box 99, NORTH HOBART		1970	45	8	37
TASMANIA, 7002, AUSTRALIA		1971	97	23	74
Sightings Telephone Numbers:		1972	68	14	64
23 6009 or 25 4054 (area code 002)		1973	136	26	110
Area Representatives:		1974	159	56	103
Launceston ...	Don MacSween	1975	182	50	132
(003) 39 2410		1976	192	43	149
Swansea .....	Jenny Lyne	1977	155	38	117
Meeting Dates for 1991		1978	178	32	146
Meetings are held on Thursdays.		1979	152	19	133
Starting at 7.30 P.M.		1980	61	9	52
March 7th	June 6th	1981	87	10	77
September 5th		1982	60	16	44
End of year B-B-Q	Date & Venue	1983	63	8	55
	to be advised.	1984	44	7	37
At the DERWENT REGIONAL LIBRARY		1985	84	9	75
Meeting rooms, Terry St., Glenorchy.		1986	81	7	74
UFO TASMANIA - Issn 0158-0590		1987	70	9	61
Publication number - 62		1988	107	18	89
Items may be quoted from this magazine		1989	88	8	80
provided that T. U. F. O. I. C. is credited.		1990	43	5	38
Published and Printed by TUFOIC		<u>Investigations 1990</u>			
T. U. F. O. I. C. was founded in 1965		Unidentified ----- 5			
		Insuffic.info./investigating -- 3			
		Astronomical ----- 21			
		Aircraft ----- 6			
		Satellites ----- 4			
		Meteorological ----- 3			
		Flares ----- 1			
		TOTAL ----- 43			
		A Member organisation of the			
		AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR UFO STUDIES			
		P. O. Box 728, Lane Cove, N. S. W., 2066			

## PRINCIPAL AIMS OF TUFOIC:

To conduct investigations into Tasmanian UFO reports. To collect and examine information on the UFO Phenomena, and to distribute that which we consider authentic to members, fellow UFO organisations engaged in similar research, both in Australia, and Overseas, and to the general public, Via our Annual report, Publications and Newsletters.

## MEMBERSHIP OF TUFOIC:

Shall be open to all who support the aims of the Centre, and have a serious interest in the UFO phenomena.

Further information on TUFOIC may be obtained from the secretary, or by attending meetings TUFOIC meetings are open to all members, and to the general public

# 1990 IN REVIEW

The year for UFO reports in Tasmania has continued the trend from the eighties with sightings few and far between, in fact with a total of only 4 this is the lowest number since 1967's similar figure. Investigations also reflect the drop in unexplained cases with calls to the centre down 50% on 1989. Hopefully there is no way for sightings to go but up over the next few years?

Despite the lack of action membership has remained at a good level with a steady attendance at our quarterly meetings.

Only one sighting was mentioned in the local media during 1990, the East Coast sighting of June near Bicheno. Some mention was made of overseas cases in Europe but most cover was given to the English cornfield circles.

Once again no major sighting of note occurred in Australia although as you will see from our sightings list Queensland had the lions share of the cases. The list is an attempt to illustrate what has been occurring around the country. The information is compiled from Group Newsletters/Bulletins/media articles etc: We have every confidence with our fellow UFO Groups but we cannot confirm the details of the sightings listed. Nevertheless the sightings have many features that have been reported previously in Australia and overseas. We may comment that it seems a pity that all groups do not cover current UFO cases in their literature so that we may present a false picture of the state of play.

We have continued to exchange information with ACUFOS, UFO Research Australia, UFOR Queensland, Aust International UFOSR, and the Victorian UFORS, plus a number of overseas contacts.

UFO Research Australia have continued to probe the public for information on Abduction reports and Crop Ring traces. Quite a number of CE4 cases have surfaced due to their efforts. Maybe this study will highlight and similarities to Abduction cases elsewhere in the world. Will we be able to tell that similarities are not due to exposure to media coverage projecting an expected scenario?

ACUFOS is once more taking an active roll on the Australian scene with the organisation of UFOCON 10 in Sydney during September last. New members were elected to the executive and papers presented on the situation around the Australian states. ACUFOS wants to encourage interested persons to join existing groups in their own region or maybe form their own if one does not already exist.

Doubtless the major event of 1990 (if not since 1946?) was the Belgian radar visual report of last March 30th. Why this incident failed to catch the major news headlines is in itself another mystery. The co-operation between the Belgian Air Force and the local UFO investigators should be a lesson for other countries. Sighting vigils and aircraft were arranged so that investigators could view the unidentified lights that had haunted the country since October 1989. Finally on March 30th they struck pay dirt. Police reported the lights had been seen south of Brussels, the Air Force obtained radar contacts from two locations before scrambling two jet fighters to check on the intruder. Contact was made by both the fighters and their radar screens were recorded on video. The UFO and the fighters played a cat and mouse game across the sky for upto 70 minutes. (The fighters being the mice we may add). The UFO was recorded at speeds from 40kph to 1.5Mach, at heights of 2500mts to 200mts. Breaking the sound barrier but not producing a sonic bang. Defying our scientific laws?

Meanwhile other places in Europe were having their own flaps, in Russia sightings that also started around October 1989 continued on into 1990, the Russians also having their own chase about the sky after the elusive unidentified lights. Hungary was another country to report airial encounters between their Air Force and the UFO. The country also had its own flap of cases with all the original run of UFO events, lights, figures, car paces etc.

## DAYLIGHT OBJECT SEEN AT MAGRA

Wednesday February 14th was a fine day with light winds in South East Tasmania with a brilliant blue sky and a few fleecy clouds. The Centre was contacted by a Magra witness about midday describing a white object that had moved away to the north north east sky disappearing into the distance. Immediate checks were made with the Hobart Weather Bureau to establish that winds were light mainly from the south east to north east with an overlaying upper circulation from the north east. Civil Aviation (Hobart) advised that no aircraft were in the area although no flight path is kept for light aircraft that could pass over the area. The witness confirmed seeing a light plane some hour after the sighting and it was easily recognizable as an aircraft. The sighting location is semi-rural with hills surrounding the Magra valley which runs south west towards the north east.

Mrs A was in her back yard on the morning in question to hose down the walls of her house. She was doing just that when her 3 year old son called to her a couple of times, "Whats that in the sky Mummy", he said. Finally she went to him and looked into the north west sky, at once she noticed something white against the blue background of the sky. Her first impression was it must be a balloon as it was stationary, and presented a round appearance. It was at an elevation of about 25 to 30 deg:

As Mrs A watched the object just seemed to move instantly gradually climbing away up the valley. The strange part of the sighting was the way the aspect of the object changed as it moved, it seemed to wobble or zig-zag. Initially having looked round it changed appearance to that of a disc, the top and edge being visible, then the underside as the object crossed the sky.

The object stopped in mid flight, no slowing down, it just came to an instant stop. After some seconds the object continued on its way. On this occasion the object had stopped presenting an edge on appearance. Again it moved off but this time it seemed to go faster and was soon lost into the distance in the north east sky beyond Platform Peak. Mrs A said it was fine and calm with no wind in her vicinity. At no stage was any sound heard. She also called her neighbour but it was too late to see anything when she came outside. Mrs A believes her little son may have been watching the object for a minute before she responded to his calls, she then viewed the object for maybe a further minute. No further calls were received.

Could it have been a balloon, this cannot be completely ruled out, was there some local wind direction change? However, the witness felt that the real shape of the object was disc like and not that of a balloon. According to the Bureau winds were only light whilst the movement of the object in its final stages was quite fast.

## UFO mystery

DERWENT VALLEY GAZETTE

Wednesday, February 21, 1990

AN object seen flying a zig-zag course in the sky above Black Hills last Wednesday remains a mystery.

Mr Keith Roberts of the UFO Investigation Centre, said it was doubtful that it was a balloon because it was flying against the prevailing wind.

He would like to hear from anybody who saw it.

Mrs M. Middleton said her attention was drawn to the UFO by her small son: "He kept asking

what the white thing was," she said.

Mrs Middleton said it was about 10.45am when she saw what she at first thought to be a balloon.

She saw it flying a zig-zag course, and then stop dead.

She watched it for about 30 seconds before it flew off "very fast ... faster than a jet".

Mrs Middleton said she used to live next to an airport: "It wasn't a plane...I don't know what it was."



## EARLY MORNING SIGHTING AT MIDWAY POINT

Mrs R had been to her sister's home to help look after a new child in the family, then they had talked and it was late by the time she set off for home in Midway Point. Mrs R thinks it was soon after 3.30a.m. when she left for home and it would have taken about 15 minutes to drive home. The night she recalled was fine with some areas of cloud.

Just after Cambridge the Tasman Highway heads north east prior to the intersection with Acton Road, as she drove along this section of road Mrs R noticed a very bright green light, similar to a traffic light colour. The light was to her right front and seemed large, well on the way to moon sized. The light moved as she travelled along the highway, going from her right to left. It looked to pass over the highway near Cambridge Airport then bobbed back to the right once more moving back over the highway to the right front of the witnesses' car.

Mrs R was feeling a bit disturbed by now and was relieved to notice a car in the far distance on the straight ahead, she sped up to try and close the distance on the vehicle. She did not want to keep on looking at the light and did not notice it again until passing the Tasmanian Golf Club when she could see the light through the trees to the right. Mrs R by now had reached the Causeway across Pittwater to Midway Point, the car ahead was now not too far off, however, the bright green light was now reflecting onto the water to her right (east to south east).

The light stayed out over the water and then Mrs R lost sight of it as she headed up the rise to Midway Point, at this point she turned left (north) just a few minutes from her home. Then much to her surprise a bright mass of green light seemed to come up over the Service Station on the southern side of the Tasman Highway. She described it as looking like a Mini-Minor sized object up in the sky. There appeared to be a shape of which only half was visible, the right side was just a mass of green, whilst the left end had a sloping side and level top. As she turned left the mass of light came up on her right then seemed to veer away over the roof tops and was lost to view. Whilst all this was going on the vehicle ahead had gone up a side street and Mrs R feels sure the driver must have seen something, however, the Centre received no other reports.

Mrs R raced home and woke her husband up, they went out and searched the sky but no large green light was visible. Venus was noticed rising in the eastern sky but this was a bright white dot compared with the large mass of light encountered near the Service Station. Soon after going to bed Mrs R heard an aircraft passing away to the north, it was later confirmed that an air freighter left Hobart Airport at 4.30a.m. The weather at the Airport was noted as being fine with some cloud at 1200mts and 3/8th Cirrus at 7/8,000mts, the observer did not notice Venus in the eastern sky prior to 4a.m. probably due to cloud cover.



## East Coast Sighting

"UFO's hover over quiet farming area". So ran the headline in the Sunday Tasmanian of July 15th describing a report from near Bicheno late in the previous month. The retired witness had seen lights hovering near his house, then checked with his neighbours who had also been woken up by the lights. The story was initially told to the Hobart Mercury's Launceston representative, then followed up by TUFOIC's East Coast investigator, Jenny Lyne.

The sighting occurred on a Monday late in June, the witness having gone to bed fairly early due to trouble with arthritis in the spine. He had dozed rather than slept and also been disturbed by one of his dogs that had been barking like crazy for over an hour. Checking his clock the witness noticed it was 11.58 p.m. when a bright light flashed through his bedroom window.

Looking out the witness noticed something with bright lights near the ground some 200/300mts distant at fence top height and moving away along the fenceline. The object could be described as saucer like with a rectangular shape above. The witness at this stage checked that no one was stealing petrol from his tank and to quieten down the dogs. Returning to his room he could now see that the object had moved to a position over the hills about three kilometres to the north west. It now had a red/orange flame like appearance from below. It remained stationary in the same position for around five minutes before it just vanished, maybe behind the hill it was last seen above.

The witnesses' neighbour said that the locals know about them (lights) but its always been kept quiet because we didn't want people to think we were crazy. The neighbour described a sighting about seven or eight years ago when coming home from Fingal. "We were coming over Elephant Pass when this bright light, that was round and looked like a moon appeared behind us and started to follow us. We decided to pull over and hide and it was almost as if the thing sensed what we were doing. As soon as we stopped the light shot off and we didn't see it again on the way home" said the neighbour.

\*\*\*\*\*

### *Moscow 26 Jan* The milking of superstition

**Moscow**

**VILLAGERS** near the Russian town of Lipetsk think thirsty visitors from space may be trying to kidnap the local milkman, the *Selskaya Zhizn* reported yesterday.

Vladimir Akhaltsev told the newspaper he was trailed by a shining ball one night as he drove his milk tanker to a dairy, close to the southern city of Voronezh where Soviet media reported the landing of three-eyed extra-

terrestrials last autumn.

Farmers in three villages also claimed to have seen the ball, the paper said, leading them to ask: "If thirsty humanoids steal our driver, who is going to deliver the milk?"

Russians, a deeply superstitious people, are fascinated by unidentified flying objects and the media regularly carries reports of unusual landings.

Reuter

Did you know...? Solar particles that cause the aurora usually take a few days to reach Earth, but on rare occasions, perhaps once each 11-year Solar cycle, they arrive in only 15 hours or so. Such high-speed emissions travel to Earth at over 3 million kilometres per hour and cause powerful geomagnetic storms and bright aurorae.

The average speed of the Solar wind is 600,000 kilometres per hour. Until recently, it had not been possible to measure the speeds of gusts that arrived in less than 20 hours - the fastest events blew measuring instruments off the scale. Since fast particles result in severe disruptions to communications, satellites and power grids, estimates of the speeds of these gusts will now play an important part in 'space storm weather' forecasts.

## ANOTHER JUNE SIGHTING

A lone motorist travelling south of Hobart in mid June was able to obtain a good look at something just over a roadside paddock. The witness who wound down his drivers side window was able to stop his vehicle and watch a bright object for the best part of a minute before it made a rapid departure.

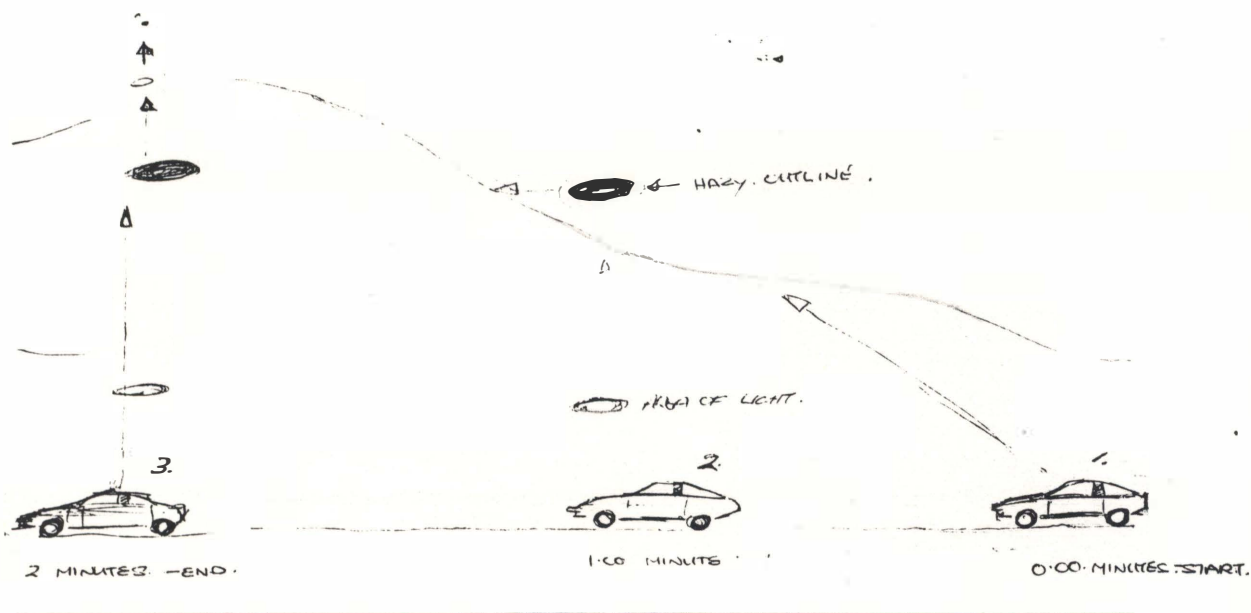
Our motorist was travelling home about 11p.m. on a fine evening with some cloud cover, there was no fog noticed in the area. Soon after turning off the Southern Outlet to the Huon a bright mass of light was noticed ahead and to the west of the road en route to the witnesses home.

As he continued on an area of white light was noticed below the oval light. It was visible in the paddock but there was no beam or light visible below the UFO. As the witness slowed his car he could see the oval object and light below moving in unison. It was now some 2 minutes into the sighting and the witness had drawn level with the very bright white object in the sky, he stopped his car and wound down the window.

The oval light was very glary and had an apparent size larger than the moon as it now remained stationary at the estimated 90 meters from the road at an elevation of maybe less than 100 meters. No noise was noticed. Suddenly the white object made a rapid move away into the south west sky at an angle of 45 degrees, dwindling in a few seconds to a dot and then being lost to sight, maybe into the distance or behind clouds.

The area of light on the ground in the paddock was no longer visible, the witness had been concentrating on the oval shape and did not see the manner of its disappearance.

Interestingly another roadside sighting was made not far away on the Southern Outlet at Vince's Saddle the previous year.





# AUSTRALIAN SIGHTINGS 1989/90

DATE	STATE	TIME	TYPE	LOCATION	NOTES	
Nov 8	QLD	2145	NL	Coolum	Witness sees crystal object over sea	1
10	SA	0140	NL	Campbelltown	Humming noise, area lit up	2
11	VIC	2130	NL	Geelong	Motorist sees glowing ball of light	3
20	SA	2320	NL	Delamere	Object with beam goes South West	4
28	SA	2330	NL	Craigmore	Yell/White lits, red below, fade out	2
Dec	WA	Nite	CE2	Mt Newman	Ute lost power, orange lits nearby	5
	TAS	Eve	NL	Lorinna	Erratic white lit moves around hills	11
6	VIC	-	-	Turriff	12 "rings" found in wheat crops	6
11	WA	1200	DD	Mandurah	Fishermen see white dome object	7
12	VIC	-	-	Speed	Flattened circle in wheat crop	8
25	WA	2100	NL	Quairading	Orange disc crossing sky rapidly	5
Jan 1	QLD	2050	CE1	Malanda	Area lit up by mass of red light	9
10	SA	0342	NL	Glanville	Orange football object sweeps over	4
14	QLD	Nite	NL	Maryborough	Green lit plus others light up area	9
20	WA	2230	NL	Quobba	Lit moves up/down flashes colours	7
21	QLD	2245	NL	Dungay	Orange/red light, lights up ground	10
31	QLD	2230	NL	Caboolture	3 witnesses to diamond obj: with noise	10
Feb	NSW	2300	NL	Wentworth	Flashing light seen at ground level	2
14	TAS	1045	DD	Magra	White disc wobbles across sky	11
14	QLD	2345	CE4	Kallanger	Witness driving home, has missing time	10
17	SA	0245	CE1	Fulham Garden	Noisy blue light 15m above house	2
Mar 4	VIC	2300	CE3	Warburton	Obj with green & org lits attacked by dog	6
6	SA	2345	CE2	Salisbury Park	Whirring fast light, dogs disturbed	2
Apr 8	TAS	0400	NL	Midway Point	Green mass of light approaches car	11
12	SA	0530	NL	TeaTree Gully	Light to SE takes off at rapid rate	2
15	QLD	0405	NL	Townsville	Cigar object with lights hovers in sky	10
25	QLD	0330	CE1	Coondo	Animals disturbed, object only 70m away	2
May 2	QLD	0230	NL	Yelarbon	Star lights follows truck for sev hours	12
27	SA	0030	CE2	Truro	Radio fades as light buzzes car	2
27	SA	1915	NL	Mt Gambier	TV interference? Red shape flashing	4
Jun	QLD		DD	Kowanyama	Globe followed by aircraft	13
	TAS	2300	CE1	Sandfly	Oval obj leaves area of lit on ground	11
4	QLD	1920	CE1	Buderain	Green Spherical obj passes at tree tops	1
25	TAS	2358	CE1	Apslawn	Dogs bark. Saucer object nearby	11
26	QLD	2243	NL	Gympie	Orange/red light stops and starts	14
29	QLD	1230	NL	Thuringowa	Football object plus lights crosses sky	12
Jul 3	QLD	1810	CE1	Bokarina	Moon sized light seen, witnesses sick	1
6	QLD	1930	CE1	Wurtulla	Bright light hovering 300m from car	1
20	SA	0230	NL	Caltowie	Blue obj lits up area, revolves, goes sth	4
28	QLD	2120	NL	Thornsland	Saucer/dome obj with flashing lights	10
31	SA	0035	CE1	Prospect Hill	Yellow oval paces car, circles then lvs	4
Aug 20	QLD	2000	NL	Gympie	Fast blue object, humming sounds also	10
Sept 1	SA	2010	NL	Monaro	Lights seen from car, one lands	2
23	SA	2205	NL	Highbury	Yellow lights seen by motorist, hovers	2
Oct 5	SA	1990	NL	Keith	Motorist spots oval red with white above	2
Nov 7	SA	1345	DD	Victor Harbour	2-3m triangle obj, whistling noise, goes W	2
Dec 5	TAS	0200	NL	Radnor	Huge circle of V brit W lits moves east	11

SOURCES 1 UFORQ (Sunshine Coast). 2 UFOR (Sth Aust). 3 Ken Hayes. 4 Aust Int UFOFSR. 5 UFORAust. 6 VUFORS. 7 Joan Johnston. 8 Bill Chalker. 9 UFOR (Far Nth Qld). 10 UFOR (Qld). 11 TUFOIC. 12 ACUFOS. 13 Melbourne Truth. 14 UFOR (Gympie).

NEWS, South Waikato, New Zealand - Feb. 22, 1990 CR: M. Bott

## UFO seen?

Are aliens visiting our universe? One Putaruru couple are wondering after they witnessed "a big orange sort of disc with a quarter of a moon sized shape on the bottom" hover then disappear towards the east.

"It was all very strange. My wife got up at 4.20 am on Sunday morning and came rushing back to get me and we both witnessed the ... thing."

Jenny Perwick of the Auckland Astronomical Society said there are a lot of similar sightings recorded each week but "unfortunately" they are always natural phenomena.

"These sightings can be put down to many things

including planets, stars and meteorological balloons," Mrs Perwick said.

"I would think that this sighting was a satellite because they flash on and off and they can disappear very quickly if they are going through the atmosphere."

Mrs Perwick said there were more than 7500 satellites in the solar system and atmospheric disturbance can make them look unusual.

"It would be impractical for a UFO to visit our planet as the nearest star from us is thousands of years away."

"All bright stars flash orange, yellow, green or red and they may change position according to the atmosphere so there are a lot of things out there."

"I do not think this was a UFO but that does not mean there is not life in other galaxies..."



By David Lewis of Reuters

EGER, Hungary, Reuter - "Since I got involved in this subject I feel they do exist even if science wants to deny it," said Judit Vas, who has collected reports of unidentified flying objects (UFO's) and other bizarre phenomena in Hungary since January. "Perhaps there is a way we don't know about to travel between galaxies in a fourth, fifth or sixth dimension."

The UFO Data Collection Centre was set up at the beginning of the year by the Urania Observatory, in the historic city of Eger, northeast Hungary, after reports of UFO's began flooding in last Autumn.

Rather than allow his staff to be distracted, the observatory's director Andras Horvath charged Vas, a 35-year-old mother-of-two and freelance lecturer on astronomy, with collating and studying the reports.

"I am a collector and I am very sceptical," Vas said at her modest home, a service flat for her army officer husband who teaches at the local military academy.

"I never simply believe what people say, I go and talk to them first hand. In my heart I would like to meet extra-terrestrials. But I must not listen to my heart. My job is to look at the proof." Vas waves some of the 60 to 70 letters received by the Centre describing events and phenomena, including mysterious balls of light, strange flying objects and cars going out of control after intervention from outer space.

The surge of UFO sightings in Hungary began in November, a month after children in the central Soviet city of Vorenezh reported seeing giant three-eyed aliens landing from a shining ball-like spacecraft.

On November 13, air force pilots in Kecskemet, southern Hungary, said they were followed on training flights by an orange sphere which did not show up on radar. Days later, two soldiers on duty at the Kcskemet's military airport reported seeing a fluorescent green figure about 1.2 metres tall who beamed himself up into space. And a farmer in south-eastern Gomaendrod said he had a fight with two little green men with long ears who paralyzed him with a mysterious force before disappearing. Most recently -- on July 24 -- bus-driver Imre Herczeg reported a "close encounter" in the village of Kisbajcs near to the northwestern city of Gyor.

Driving his bus home after work, he saw two strong red lights and a strange figure about 1.2 metres tall, Herczeg told the Nepszabadsag newspaper.

"It's pear-shaped head had two slanted eyes. It's entire body was steel blue. It's hands seemed disproportionately long, and I seem to remember he had four fingers." Since the incident, Herczeg has been plagued by headaches and blood-shot eyes. Nepszabadsag reported later that there had been several sightings of a football-sized pink sphere hovering above the Danube on the same night.

Vas dismisses many reports as invention, medically-explicable visions or confusion with natural phenomena. But for some she can find no rational explanation.

She talked to one correspondent, Agnes Firand of Budapest, who said she and her two sons had seen a huge flying object with laser-type lights one night in January.

"I certainly did not feel that they had been hallucinating," Vas says. "I tried to explain it as a balloon, but a balloon could not have moved so quickly."

Other reports surfaced later of strange lights above Budapest the same night.

From Tarnaszentmaria, a village 15 km west of Eger, a 20-year-old soldier sent Vas a report of lights, a space-ship and space creatures he had seen.

"He doesn't drink," said Vas, who, returning from a fruitless trip to Tarnaszentmaria in search of the creatures, herself saw mysterious poles of strong light beaming down onto a lonely cottage.

CREDIT PARANET

# MUFON to reopen probe of Gulf Breeze UFOs

By Craig Myers  
News Journal

An international organization of UFO enthusiasts announced Tuesday it will reopen its investigation into a Gulf Breeze man's claims that he photographed UFOs.

But members of the Mutual UFO Network said they still believe Ed Walters' UFO photos are legitimate and his stories of UFO sightings and encounters are true. "He is innocent until proven guilty,"

members want to know the truth as much as anyone else. Seven members of the group investigated Walters' reports for six months in 1988 and concluded his story was true.

Walters' account and photographs of 20 UFO encounters between November 1987 and March 1988, recounted in his book entitled "The Gulf Breeze Sightings," has focused worldwide attention on the area.

But the younger Smiths' allegations of trick photography and a model UFO

said MUFON International Director Walt Andrus.

MUFON's decision comes on the heels of recently discovered evidence and reports suggesting Walters' photos may be fakes. It also comes less than three weeks before the group's international symposium on UFOs, which will be in Pensacola July 6-8.

Also on Tuesday, the parents of a 22-year-old who said he saw Walters create fake photos of UFOs in 1987 came forward to identify themselves.

found in Walters' former Gulf Breeze home in March and made public earlier this month have raised new questions about Walters' story.

The model — made of Styrofoam plates and drafting paper — was found in the attic of Walters' former home at 612 Silverthorn Road by a current resident who was searching the attic for a pipe.

Walters and Hank Boland, another former Gulf Breeze resident who the Smiths said was allegedly involved in creating fake UFO

MUFON challenged the couple, Thomas G. and Jennie Smith, of Gulf Breeze, to take a lie detector test. They agreed, under the condition that Walters and his family also take one.

The Smiths' son Tom Smith, formerly of Gulf Breeze, said last week that he watched Walters create fake photos of UFOs using a technique known as double exposure.

Andrus said MUFON supports Walters "100 percent," but said the group is reopening the investigation because

photographs, last week denied the allegations. Walters was not at either news conference and could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

Both Walters and Boland said last week that the younger Smiths' photographs show a real UFO. They said the Smiths are claiming the photos are fake — created by double exposure — out of a religiously motivated attempt to discredit UFO sightings.

But Thomas Smith, a Pensacola attorney and former Gulf Breeze city council member, said Tuesday that the only religious motive he has is to tell the truth. The

younger Smith, a student at an out-of-state college, could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

Smith said his son came to him in late 1987 with what were apparently six UFO photos.

But Smith said his son later confided that Walters had taken the photos using trick photography and had asked him to take them to the Gulf Breeze Sentinel and claim to be the photographer. Smith kept the photos and last week gave them to Gulf Breeze Police Chief Jerry Brown.

The younger Smith said last week in a telephone interview with Gulf Breeze Mayor Ed Gray,

Brown and two reporters that he had been with Walters once when Walters made double-exposures.

"We don't know what everyone else has seen, but we know what Ed disclosed to Tom early on was that his photos and story was a fabrication," Smith said.

The couple said their son waited more than two years to come forward because he didn't want to hurt his friends Boland and Danny Walters, Walters' son, who the Smiths said was also involved in faking photos.

"I wish we had done this 2½ years ago," Smith said. "But hindsight is 20/20 vision."

Pensacola News Journal  
20 Jun. 90

ROCKY MOUNTAIN NEWS, Denver,  
CO - April 30, 1990  
CR: C. Carpenter

## UFOs



Hundreds of people, including some pilots, reported spotting an unidentified flying object over Rome. Police in the Italian capital received numerous calls, describing a "kind of luminous ball that left smoke in its trail." There have been several reports of UFO sightings over Belgium in recent weeks.

COMMERCIAL APPEAL,  
Memphis, TN - Oct. 12,  
1989 CR: J. Komar

## UFO makes its rounds in Delta

From Staff Reports  
And Our Press Services

A UFO, or maybe two, vaguely similar to one that reportedly touched down recently in the Russian city of Voronezh has been spotted hanging around the Delta.

Lee Abide Jr., 33, said he saw a large orange spherical ball hovering about 10 miles northwest of Greenville, Miss., around 4:35 a.m. while he was driving to work — the second time he's seen the craft in less than six months.

Abide, a pilot, said, "I've been around airplanes all my life. This wasn't an airplane or nothing that had been made by man. This thing didn't come out of a bottle of vodka," he said, referring to some speculation that the Soviet witnesses might have been imbibing.

Pilot Bill Kimmel spotted a similar craft about 6 p.m. Tuesday while flying a plane between Clarksdale and Memphis. Kimmel said it was round, metallic, kept changing colors and was moving 800 to 900 mph at 3,000 feet some distance off his left wingtip. "There was no way it was a weather balloon because no balloon can travel that fast," he said.

Abide says other Greenville residents have seen the strange craft but are afraid to come forward.

The spacecraft that reportedly landed in Voronezh was described as a large shining ball or disc. Witnesses said that up to three tall creatures accompanied by a small robot emerged, according to Tass, official Soviet news agency.



# SPACESHIP SURPRISE!

MORE and more unidentified flying objects are invading East London's airspace.

And the number is likely to keep going up as pollution destroys the planet, a watchdog group have warned.

May Flitton, of Central Park Road, East Ham, is one of more than a dozen people who say they have spotted a UFO in the past month.

Mrs Flitton, 68, a retired bank typist, said she saw a blueish white light above the rooftops as she peeped out of her bedroom window.

She drew back the curtains to watch the unexpected sight.

"I just stood there absolutely fascinated," she said.

"It had a triangular shape with rounded angles, and lights all round its sides. I could not see the centre. It was moving very slowly from east to west towards Barking. There was no sound. The whole episode lasted about two minutes, then the thing just

## ETs are 'little Green men' after all...

seemed to drop out of sight."

The incident happened on Thursday, March 22, around 12.30 am when she was going to bed.

Mrs Flitton did not wake up her husband, though she told him the next morning.

"He believed me, but my son-in-law thought I had been on the bottle," she recalled indignantly.

She phoned the East Anglian UFO Society — which investigate sightings in London and surrounding counties.

Barking-based researcher Roy Lake said he'd had a dozen cases to look at

in and around East Ham last month.

He collects statements from witnesses and checks with local airports and radar stations for details of flights.

"More than 80 per cent of the cases I have worked on in the last 30 years remain unexplained," Mr Lake claimed.

He dismisses tales of little green men zapping humans to cinders — though he has investigated claims of abduction by aliens — and his message is unequivocally Green: "Beings from other planets may be getting worried about the damage done to the Earth by excessive pollution. The whole universe could be affected."

After her experience Mrs Flitton — who did not previously believe in UFOs — admitted she would like to find out more about extra-terrestrials.

A Ministry of Defence spokesman said the unit dealing with UFOs had been disbanded years ago.

• If you have seen a flying saucerphone Roy Lake on 594 4797.

DANIEL SINGLETON

# Housewife keeps open mind after 'seeing red and orange UFO'

by KEN SAPWELL

WENDY Dawes was a self-confessed sceptic about extra-terrestrials ... until this week.

The 30-year-old housewife says she will now keep an open mind after witnessing a weird and frightening phenomenon.

She says her views were given a severe jolt about 10.45pm on Sunday when she was awoken by a bright light outside the window of her home at Duncgay, near Murwillumbah.

Dozens of others also phoned the police and weather bureau to report a strange glowing light — but Mrs Dawes apparently got a unique close-up.

"It looked as if it was only half a kilometre away and was suspended in clear sky between the hills and low cloud," she said yesterday.

"It was a blood-red and orange colour. I have never seen a colour like it before in my life. It was growing and shrinking between the size of a tennis and a basketball.

"As it grew smaller it went brighter and as it grew bigger the light became less intense, but it lit up the

ground outside. I didn't know what it was and I started to panic and ran downstairs to get my husband."

She said With their 10-year-old daughter they watched as it started to slowly rise in the sky before flying off at speed.

"It must have been in the sky for about three minutes. It was a very strange experience but I can't find a logical explanation for what I saw," she said. "I didn't believe people who claim they saw UFOs or things from space, but now I am ready to keep an open mind."

## Strange

Murwillumbah police said they went west of the town after another couple reported a strange light.

A police spokesman said they agreed with a weather bureau spokesman that it might be a phenomenon associated with thunderstorm activity at the time, but 'we have no real explanation for what it was'.

GOLD COAST BULLETIN, Wednesday, January 24, 1990

# Pilots spot UFO over lower NI

[Paper & City Unknown], New Zealand - March 15, 1990 CR: M. Bott

WELLINGTON (PA) — An unidentified flying object was spotted by crews of two aircraft over lower North Island and top half of South Island early on Thursday morning.

Safe Air pilot Grant Jolley of Blenheim said he was flying an Argosy aircraft at 13,000ft from Auckland to Christchurch when his crew was contacted about 3am by a light aircraft just climbing out of Palmerston North.

The crew of the light aircraft reported a strange light and asked the Argosy crew if they could see it. At first the Argosy crew did not see the light and Wellington radar when contacted said they had nothing on screen.

Shortly after, the Argosy crew did see the light to the east. Mr Jolley described it as about six to ten times brighter than the other observable stars and changing in colour from white, to red, to green.

The Argosy crew then contacted Wellington radar, but once again the object did not register.

"The interesting thing was it was between the two aeroplanes," Mr Jolley said. "It was to the west of him (the light plane) and the east of us." There were about 60 miles between the two aircraft.

Mr Jolley said another interesting feature of the sighting was that the light appeared to be below the level of the tops of the Rimutaka Ranges. He said he was familiar with Venus in the sky and the light definitely was not the often bright planet.

At one stage, the Argosy crew turned their plane towards the object to see if it registered on the plane's radar, but no reading was obtained.

Mr Jolley said the object seemed to move on a parallel course to the Argosy and light aircraft and the two plane crews talked about it all the way down.

Once on the ground in Christchurch, Mr Jolley said the object just looked like an ordinary star or rising planet.

Safe Air pilots were at the centre of a series of UFO sightings over Kaikoura in 1978.

# Case of alien 'eye-spy' for frightened youth

TRUTH, SATURDAY, FEB. 3, 1990

NO ONE will believe potter Paul Horton when he recalls the night an immense human eye floated through his bedroom door.

But 20-year-old Paul, who lives in Howrah, Tasmania, is unblinkingly adamant a disembodied peeper looked in on him.

And he adds that the incident was a chilling curtain-raiser to three years of nightmares in which he was regularly plagued, during the small hours, by visits from unfriendly entities.

Paul claims that the optical invasion occurred when he was 12 and living in the mining town of Rosebery, on Tasmania's west coast.

"My brother and I went to bed, as usual, in our shared room," he told me.

"I settled into my regular sleeping spot — the bottom bunk, from which the outline of my parents' door was visible.

"About 2 am, I woke, needing to go to the toilet. I swung out of bed and headed for the bathroom.

"But then, I saw some-

## Look of terror

thing in the bedroom doorway that froze me.

"It was an outsized human eye, about the dimensions of a small dog, floating several feet above the floor.

"I was so scared that I bolted back to bed and hid under the blankets, peeping occasionally, to see if the eye was still there.

"To my horror, it seemed to know I was watching it. "It moved up and down and from side to side, as if it was aware of me.

"The eye stayed there for so long that I began to sweat, feeling it might harm me in some way.

"I know all this wasn't a dream, because I can still remember the sweltering heat of the blankets as I lay

still for hours, breathing as shallowly as I could and trying not to move.

"Finally I fell into a light sleep. When I awoke, the eye was gone.

"When I told my parents about the incident next day, they scoffed at me.

"But that visit was the beginning of three terrible years, in which creatures just out of my range of vision would burst into my room and pin me down, while they painfully pinched and prodded my skin.

"I suspected the intruders were human, because I'd sometimes hear them talking very swiftly among themselves in a language I didn't know.

"Shortly after I turned 16, the visits stopped.

"But I still think every day about that floating eye — and wonder what the hell it could have been."

# TASCAT

## BACKGROUND

TASCAT started life in 1982 when the TUFOIC Liaison Officer, Paul Jackson, set about writing a computerised Database programme that would be designed specifically for recording and manipulating Tasmanian UFO sighting data. The initial programme was written in BASIC (A Computer language) on a Commodore VIC-20 home computer, using a Cassette drive for data storage. Although the VIC-20 is, by today's standards, very small in memory size, the Cassette drive painfully slow to store and retrieve data, and is looked upon as something of a plaything, by the end of the year, after many hours at the keyboard typing in the sightings data, researched and supplied by TUFOIC's Investigations coordinator, Keith Roberts, the first edition of the computerised UFO sightings catalogue, TASCAT, was completed and printed. TUFOIC had moved into the Computer era.

In 1984, the original database programme was completely rewritten and upgraded by Paul, for use on a Commodore 64 computer. In the 3 years that followed, many improvements and enhancements were made to the Database to increase its versatility and usefulness.

The next major upgrade was made by transferring the catalogue data from Cassette storage to Disk drive, thus speeding up the storage and retrieval times by a factor of ten.

In 1987, Paul transferred all of the sightings data from the Commodore 64, to an IBM compatible XT computer, which, at the time, was considered to be a semi-professional state of the art computer. Initially using a Professionally written Database called DBASE 3 PLUS, to handle the sightings data, in 1988 the Catalogue was to be once again transferred, this time to another Professional Database programme called Q & A, which is much easier to learn and use (More user friendly) than DBASE 3 PLUS.

The 1988 edition of TASCAT was the last edition to be printed, and is now out of date. No edition was printed in 1989 due to the small number of unidentified's received by the Centre in that year, and in 1990 no edition reached the printing stage due to work commitments and ill health in Paul's family.

In 1990, after a long journey, TASCAT found its current home, Q & A version 3, A database that can be run on most IBM compatible computers. Using this programme, The catalogue can easily be expanded to accept new types of data, altered to suit today's and future requirements, and produce printouts of data on various aspects of Tasmanian UFO sightings.

## UPDATE

Early in 1991, TASCAT will once again be printed, and made available to TUFOIC members and fellow UFO researchers all over the world. The 1991 edition will cover all Tasmanian sightings from 1945 up until the end of 1990, and will contain close to 500 cases.

During 1991 the Catalogue will be expanded to allow for a full written description of each and every Sighting, with around 500 cases now on file, this task will take some time to complete. When time permits, we also intend adding to each case record, a copy of Computer file data sheet that is forwarded to the Australian UFO Computer file "UFOCOMFIL".

Later in the year, we hope to perform a statistical analysis of Tasmanian UFO sightings, based on TASCAT data. The full results of which will be made available to our members.



The main aims of the TASCAT project are: To make available to all UFO researchers, an up to date catalogue of actual UFO sighting information, in a form that is easily understandable, is retrievable in any format required by the researcher, and is free of errors and bias.

---

### INTERROGATION OF TASCAT

TASCAT. Besides being available in the standard full catalogue printout format, may be interrogated and data retrieved and printed out in any form that you may require.

You may only be interested in those UFO sightings that have occurred in your area. You may be interested in red coloured unidentified's seen in the North of the state, or, you may be researching Close Encounter type 2 (CE-2) events witnessed between the hours of 10 AM and 10 PM. TASCAT can supply a printout of these for you. In fact, any number of parameters may be added to the request for a printout, but you should keep in mind that the larger the number of parameters given, the lower the number of possible cases fitting ALL of these parameters will be found. In some circumstances, no cases will be found because of the particular combination of events requested have never been reported to TUFOIC.

Parameters that may be used to search on are:

Date ( Single, Multiple, span )

Time ( As above )

Location ( Single town, Multiple towns, or, Area based on TASCAT map )

Categories ( Close encounters types 1,2 or 3, Nocturnal lights etc..)

Colour (Single, or any number of combinations )

Events (Car paces, Car stops, sounds heard, flashing lights, Landings,  
Electro-magnetic effects, Traces found, etc. etc., or multiple  
combinations of these. )

Printouts may be requested for sightings that meet all of the parameters requested, or those that meet any of the parameters, the choice is always yours.

If you have any queries, comments or suggestions regarding the TASCAT computer project, Please feel free to contact Paul, by writing to the TUFOIC postal address.

---

**TASCAT 1990**

**Available soon**

**Price: \$2.50, Includes Postage.**

# TUFOIC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

TUFOIC is a serious minded civilian organisation which attempts to investigate all UFO reports, in a scientific, objective and unbiased manner, and make reliable information available on the UFO subject.

As a group, the centre draws no conclusions from its investigations, other than the fact that a so far unexplained phenomena exists, and requires further research and rigorous investigation.

Reports that are considered authentic, after thorough investigation, are forwarded to the Australian centre for UFO studies (ACUFOS), where they are filed for further research, and are included in the Australian UFO computer file. These reports are also passed on to UFO RESEARCH AUSTRALIA.

TUFOIC is based in Hobart, with representatives / investigators in various areas around the state.

Contact is maintained with fellow organisations around Australia, and Overseas. Publications are exchanged with these groups in an attempt to gain a world-wide picture of the UFO phenomena.

Membership of TUFOIC is open to all persons seriously interested in the UFO subject.

For those not wishing to become full members, but still wish to be kept informed on the subject, a publications only subscription is available.

## Subscription Rates:

### WITHIN AUSTRALIA:

Full membership ..... \$5.00 [ ]  
Publications only ... \$4.00 [ ]  
Students and Pensioners .. \$4.00 [ ]

### ALL OTHER COUNTRIES:

Air mail rate ..... \$6.00 [ ]  
Surface mail ..... \$5.00 [ ]

Payment: Australia - via money order or bank cheque.

Overseas - via Australian currency, or  
international money order

I wish to become a member / subscribe to TUFOIC: (Please Print)

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_

## TUFOIC PUBLICATIONS

TASMANIAN U.F.O. COMPUTER CATALOGUE - TASCAT 1990 .....\$2.50  
(A complete list of over 470 Tasmanian UFO Cases.)

TASMANIAN LANDINGS CATALOGUE - Second Edition ..... \$2.50  
(Provides details of UFOs seen on or near Ground level.)

MAATSUYKER ISLAND DOCUMENT ..... \$1.50  
(details of sightings from this lonely Lighthouse island)

UFO TASMANIA Magazines: 1978 to 1991 (13 issue set )..... \$10.00  
(TUFOIC Annual Report Magazine)  
Single editions available (state which year required)... \$1.00  
Please add \$1.00 for each additional copy or Year required.

TASCAT Computer Printouts ..... \$1.00  
(Extracted from TASCAT, to your requirements)  
These are available for any type of sighting, sighting location,  
date, time, event, color/colors, shape etc. etc. or combinations  
of any of these are also available.

NORTH-EAST 1974 Document .....\$2.50  
(Full details of the North-East Tasmanian flap of 1974)

ALL PRICES INCLUDE RETURN POSTAGE (surface mail only)  
Overseas Air Mail rates available on request.